

Kathy A. Maxfield  
and  
Kevin B. Maxwell  
have chosen  
the second day of April  
nineteen hundred and eighty-two  
to begin their lives together.

Parents of the Bride  
Mr. & Mrs. Linden C. Maxfield

Parents of the Groom  
Mr. James J. Maxwell  
Mrs. Shauna J. Brereton



Marriage solemnized in  
The Provo Temple



Kevin and Kathy  
and their parents  
wish you to share  
in their joy at  
this memorable time  
of their lives at  
a Reception to be  
held in their honor  
that same evening  
from 7:00 to 9:00  
at the Homestead  
700 No. Homestead Drive  
Midway, Utah



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Lewis Mecham was second counselor to Bishop Frank Fraughton for 22 years. He had a room in his home that was set apart as a prayer circle room. Each Sunday the men of the priesthood would go up to grandfather's home to hold their prayer circle, his granddaughter, Norma Mecham Smith, recalls. This room was never used for anything else, and when she lived there later as a young girl she was just a little bit afraid of this room. "It always seemed so sacred to me."

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## Steven Mecham

CHARLESTON — Steven D. Mecham, 14, son of Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Mecham, Charleston, has received his Eagle Scout Award.

Mecham's Eagle Scout Project consisted of directing the Wallburg scouts in identifying water sources for the fire department to insure faster response to fires in Wallburg and alert the people to the need to know where to direct the firemen.

They marked the location of fire hydrants, irrigation standpipes and natural water sources and prepared six maps of the area and presented them to Albert Winterrose, fire chief, to be placed in the fire trucks.

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# Robert Henry Moss

CLEARFIELD, Davis County—Funeral services for Robert Henry Moss, 63, of Davis County, who died Wednesday at 2:35 a.m. following a long illness, will be conducted Saturday afternoon in the Clearfield ward chapel by Bishop's Counselors Fred N. Clark and V. E. Larson.

Friends may call at the family home in Clearfield Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday prior to service. Burial in Syracuse Cemetery will be directed by Lindquist & Sons Mortuary Office.

Mr. Moss was born in Charlestown, Wash. County, Oct. 23, 1881, a son of Henry and Mercy Jane Nelson Moss. He married Agnes Amelia Carlen in the Salt Lake Temple, April 1, 1903. Following his marriage he moved to Alberta, Canada, and later to Salt Lake. He moved to Clearfield in 1916. He was a high priest in the Clearfield ward.

Surviving also his widow and two sons.





## 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. George Muhlestein will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary April 26. They were married April 26, 1928 in the Salt Lake Temple. The family will be honoring them at a family gathering Saturday, April 23.

Shortly after their marriage, George left for Germany to serve a mission. On his return they lived in Provo where he worked for the Cherry Hill Dairy for 15 years. They then bought property at 9th East and 12th North in Provo and started a grocery store. In 1951 they sold the store and bought a dairy farm in Charleston where they have lived ever since.

They are the parents of six children: Harold, Monticello, Utah; Mrs. Gram (Marna) Patch, Midway; Mrs. Eugene (LaRae) Whiting and Clark, Charleston; Ralph, Whiter, California; and Mrs. Phil (Kathryn) Wright, Heber. They have 31 grandchildren and 48 great-grandchildren.



### Roy Casper Muhlestein

BRIGHAM CITY — Roy Casper Muhlestein, 78, of Brigham City, died Monday, November 2, 1987 at his home after a lingering illness.

He was born September 5, 1909 in Provo, Utah, a son of John Nicholas and Martha Josephine Leichty Muhlestein. He married Zelda Lewis June 20, 1934, Salt Lake L.D.S. Temple.

Survived by wife, Brigham City; five sons, daughter, Wayne Roy Muhlestein, Mountain View, California; Lewis Dee Muhlestein, Richland, Washington; Glenn Lee Muhlestein, Brigham City; Lynn Elden Muhlestein, Raleigh, North Carolina; Allen Jay Muhlestein, Sandy; Mrs. Emil (Nyla) Jensen, Brigham City; 30 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; also brother, three sisters, George Muhlestein, Heber City; Mrs. Zina Iverson, American Fork; Mrs. Leah Phillips, Orem; Mrs. Florence Hanks, Salem.

Funeral services Friday, November 6, 1987 at 11:00 a.m. in the Brigham City 7th Ward. Friends may call at the Olsen-Myers Mortuary, 205 So. 1st East, Thursday from 6-8 p.m. and Friday 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Interment: Salem City Cemetery.

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He attended school in the Provo-Orem area. He was employed building homes from Payson to Tremonton and also built homes and chapels in Washington state.

He was a member of the LDS Church where he served in various callings including stake missionary and as a bishops counselor. He also served a building mission to Hawaii where he served as a Hawaii Temple guide and as a counselor in the mission presidency.

Survivors include his wife of Brigham City; five sons and one daughter: Wayne Roy Muhlestein, Mountain View, Calif.; Lewis Dee Muhlestein, Richland, Wash.; Glenn Lee Muhlestein, Brigham City; Lynn Elden Muhlestein, Raleigh, N.C.; Allen Jay Muhlestein, Sandy; Mrs. Emil (Nyla) Jensen, Brigham City; 30 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one brother and three sisters: George Muhlestein, Heber City; Mrs. Zina Iverson, American Fork; Mrs. Leah Phillips, Orem; Mrs. Florence Hanks, Salem.

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